

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE,
THE HOWE SCALE COMPANY,
RUTLAND, VERMONT.

Rutland, Vt., June 29, 1918.

Doctor John M. Thomas,
President, Middlebury College,
Middlebury, Vt.

My Dear Doctor:-

I have just received a copy of the Middlebury Register of the 28th inst. and note the full account of your splendid and most remarkable success in securing the \$400,000 endowment for our college. I have realized that you were up against, as the boys would say, "a hard task" but I felt sure of your ability to succeed in the same. Please accept my most hearty congratulations and best wishes for yourself, your family and the college; also please find enclosed my check for \$1,000, the amount of my gift for this noble cause; and now be assured that we will all do the best we can for the Class of 1922.

Yours most respectfully,

(Enclosure)

A handwritten signature in cursive script, likely of John A. Howe, the President of the Howe Scale Company. The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name 'John A. Howe'.